



## **Archery deer hunters: Be aware of new permit requirements**

*Some popular hunting units no longer open to over-the-counter tag holders*

Archery deer hunters are advised that some game management units formerly open to over-the-counter archery permit-tags will now require a permit issued through the big game draw application process for the 2008-09 hunting season.

**The following units are now allocated through the big game draw:**

- **1 – White Mountains / Big Lake area**
- **3A and 3C – Heber-Overgaard, Show Low, Snowflake and Holbrook areas**
- **7 – Areas north and west of Flagstaff**
- **12A – North Kaibab**
- **12B – North Kaibab**
- **12B West – North Kaibab**
- **13A – Arizona Strip**
- **13B – Arizona Strip**

Archery hunters interested in hunting deer in these units will need to apply through the big game draw application process. **The deadline to apply is June 10 by 7 p.m. (MST) – postmarks do not count.** Applications will be accepted by mail or may be hand delivered to a department office . **there is NO online application process.**

The reason for this significant first-ever change is to allocate the harvest among deer hunters that is proportionate to the demand for that weapon choice. In some management units, the harvest proportion for certain weapon types exceeded the demand.

Hunters who purchased a 2008 archery season nonpermit-tag in the fall of 2007 are reminded that you are now required to adhere to the new [2008-09 hunting regulations](#), which will eliminate these units from your available hunting areas (although these tags are valid in many other open units). Hunters are also advised that some season structures (dates) have changed, which includes the lengthening of seasons in some units.

To download a copy of the 2008-09 Arizona Hunting and Trapping Regulations and to learn how to apply through the draw process, visit [www.azgfd.gov/draw](http://www.azgfd.gov/draw). If you have additional questions, call your local [department office](#).

### **Harvest Reporting**

**Nonpermit-tag holders:** Mandatory harvest reporting is still required by archery deer hunters with an over-the-counter nonpermit-tag. Please call (866) 903-3337.

**Permit-tag holders:** Archery deer hunters with hunt permit-tags obtained through the draw process are NOT required to call the harvest hotline. However, you will receive a hunter questionnaire in the mail. Please return your questionnaire.